

## Israeli guard kills 2 PLO prisoners

TEL AVIV (R) — Two detainees were accidentally shot dead at an Israeli prison camp holding Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) commandos in Ansar in South Lebanon, an Israeli army spokesman said Friday. He said a weapon carried by a security guard went off accidentally Thursday evening, killing the two and wounding four other detainees. Army officers had opened an investigation into the incident, he said. Ansar, a tented camp, holds about 6,000 PLO commandos and suspects rounded up in Israel's invasion of South Lebanon last June.

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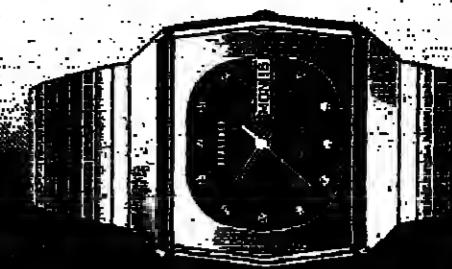
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## Anti-U.S. protests erupt in Bogota

BOGOTA (R) — Anti-American protests erupted in Bogota Friday as President Reagan flew in for talks on Colombia's drift towards non-alignment and weaker ties with the United States. Three bombs exploded in the capital just before Mr. Reagan arrived from Brazil, and he was later booed by several hundred anti-American demonstrators when he made his only public appearance. Police used tear gas on the outskirts of the city to disperse 200 stone-throwing university students shouting "Yankees go home." The authorities said two policemen were wounded and 10 students were arrested. Inside the grounds of the State National University, other demonstrators burned an effigy of Mr. Reagan.

## Artificial heart gives new life

SALT LAKE CITY (R) — Dr. Barney Clark, the first human recipient of a permanent artificial heart, smiled and listened to conversations Friday only 36 hours after he had all but died. Doctors keeping a round-the-clock watch on his progress warned that the next three days were critical because of the dangers of infection and bleeding. "Everybody believed he would be dead and he isn't," Dr. William DeVries, the head of the surgical team that performed the seven-and-a-half-hour implant operation, told reporters. "But it isn't over yet." The operation, at the University of Utah Medical Centre, was rushed forward nine hours ahead of schedule to begin on Wednesday night after medical officials said Dr. Clark's own diseased heart stopped beating for a few moments. A nursing sister said Friday morning he had had a restful night, was listening to conversations and nodding and smiling. Dr. Clark, a 61-year-old retired Seattle dentist, cannot speak because of pipes in his throat but he used a pen to write "no" on the back of a nurse's hand.

## Spain's Socialist cabinet sworn in

MADRID (R) — Spain's King Juan Carlos Friday swore in the new Socialist cabinet named by Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez. Deputy Prime Minister Alfonso Guerra was the first to pledge loyalty to the king and the 1978 democratic constitution at the royal palace outside Madrid. Then the ministers, all but one in their 30s and 40s, in turn took the oath in front of a Bible, a crucifix and a copy of the constitution. Mr. Gonzalez took the oath Thursday after winning a comfortable vote of confidence from the Congress (lower house of parliament) on a moderate programme for Spain's first left-wing government in almost half a century.

## Refugee says thousands escaping daily from Iran

VIENNA (R) — An Iranian refugee said Friday that thousands of his compatriots were escaping daily across the frontier to Turkey, helped by groups specialising in smuggling people out of the country. The man, a 30-year-old building engineer, declined to give his name for fear of possible reprisals against his parents in Iran. "People are ready to walk for five days across wild country, mostly mountains, on dangerous roads just to get away from the terror regime of Khomeini (Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini)," he said. He spoke for six other compatriots who came to Vienna earlier this week after being refused entry to Spain where they had asked for political asylum.

## British actor-comedian dies at 44

MEXICO CITY (R) — British actor-comedian Marty Feldman died Thursday night at his hotel in Mexico where he was on location for a film, a hotel spokesman said. The spokesman, Berta Alvarez, said Mr. Feldman, 44, was believed to have died of a heart attack.

## Arab delegation briefs Middle East peace plan to Kremlin

### Soviets: Arab plan created realistic chance

MOSCOW (Agencies) — A seven-member Arab League delegation, led by His Majesty King Hussein, Friday outlined an Arab peace plan for the Middle East in Kremlin talks with Communist Party chief Yuri Andropov and other members of the Soviet leadership.

Gromyko, warned the Arab visitors against the Reagan peace plan for the region also announced in September. The Reagan plan envisaged self-rule for the Palestinians in association with Jordan.

The plan, outlined to the Soviet leadership by the Arab League's "committee of seven" calls for an independent Palestinian state in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

TASS quoted the Soviet side as saying that the U.S. plan was intended to divide the Arab World, impose a solution that was favourable only to Israel and the United States, and above all, block the creation of an independent Palestinian state.

The seven-member delegation, which was set up at the Fez summit, includes the foreign ministers of Tunisia, Algeria, Morocco, Jordan, Syria and Saudi Arabia and a representative of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO).

The "committee of seven" has been charged with outlining the Arab plan to the five permanent members of the UN Security Council.

It has already visited Washington and Paris and leaves for China Saturday.

TASS did not indicate what form possible Soviet-Arab joint action on the Middle East might take. But it said the Soviet side brought to the Arab delegation's attention Moscow's call for a special international conference on the Middle East with all the sides concerned.

At the same time, Mr. Andropov, who was accompanied by Prime Minister Nikolai Tikhonov and Foreign Minister Andrei

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His Majesty King Hussein Thursday embraces His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan before the King's departure for Moscow at the head of an Arab League delegation (Petra photo).

King's first round of high-level diplomacy on the Middle East since taking over as Communist Party chief on Nov. 12, hailed the delegation's visit to Moscow as significant and called for an improvement in Soviet-Arab relations.

These relations had "long been good on the whole," but, perhaps, can become even better, even more useful..." TASS quoted him as saying.

Mr. Andropov, 68, defended the "invariable, principled course" of the Soviet Union in the Middle East.

The Soviet Union would always be "on the side of the right cause of the Arab peoples and their struggle against Israel's aggression, for freedom and independence, for a just peace in the Middle East," he said.

Both sides were quoted as co-denouncing Israel's "aggression" in Lebanon and calling for an immediate withdrawal of Israeli troops there.

King Hussein said the talks with Mr. Andropov showed evidence of close cooperation between the Arab World and the Soviet Union.

ministers of Syria and Algeria and the representative of the PLO. Mr. Mahmoud Abbas, joined the delegation in Moscow. Arab League Secretary-General Chadi Klibi is also participating in the Arab-Soviet talks.

Prince Saud is the first senior Saudi minister to visit the Soviet Union and the meeting represented the first known face-to-face encounter between the two countries at such a high level for many years.

There has been speculation that Prince Saud's visit might lead to some "rapprochement" between Moscow and Saudi Arabia.

But TASS gave no indication of any separate talks between Prince Saud and members of the Soviet leadership.

The King is accompanied on the visit by his son, Prince Abdullah, and Chief of the Royal Court Ahmad Al Lawzi.

Prior to the Arab delegation's departure for Moscow, King Hussein chaired a meeting of those members who arrived in Amman for the Soviet trip. The foreign

TASS said King Hussein replied by expressing satisfaction with the talks with Mr. Andropov and other Soviet leaders.

"Every time we meet Soviet leaders we find from your side understanding and support of the Arab cause, including most importantly in the Palestine question," King Hussein said.

The King said Arabs had to show a united front.

"This would ensure our support and assistance and would facilitate the liberation of the Palestinian people of its homeland and the implementation of its lawful national rights," he said.

## 5 West Bank lecturers ordered to stop teaching

TEL AVIV (R) — Five foreign lecturers at Bethlehem University were ordered by Israeli authorities on the occupied West Bank Friday to cease teaching by Mooday, university Vice-Chancellor Brother Thomas Scanlan said.

He told Reuters that the lecturers were summoned to Israeli headquarters and presented with documents to sign pledging not to support the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO).

The lecturers offered to sign above the declaration, which they said would merely signify knowledge of the regulation. But they refused the Israeli demand to sign underneath, saying it clashed with their consciences.

Because the three Americans and two British lecturers did not have valid work permits, they were ordered to stop work. Brother Scanlan said.

They were not expelled, as some foreign lecturers at West Bank universities have been, because they possessed valid visas, he added.

Three other foreign teachers at Bethlehem University were warned Friday that they would also be asked to sign the pledge.

If they too are forced to stop work, the university will be left with only two foreign lecturers in

addition to 50 local staff, making it "very difficult to continue operating," Brother Scanlan said.

The statement the lecturers were asked to sign said:

"During the period in which the work permit is valid the permit holder will refrain from any action barring security and public order and will in this context obey all the laws and stipulations and security legislation forbidding any action or providing any service that can be construed as aiding or supporting the PLO or any other belligerent organisation."

Twenty-two foreign lecturers have already been expelled by Israel because they refused to give up their consciences.

The purge has been sharply criticised by the U.S. and Israeli authorities have since modified the measure. In stead of signing separate pledges, foreigners are now required to sign work permit applications which incorporate the pledge.

Bethlehem Mayor Elias Freij told Reuters the Israeli measures were aimed at forcing the closure of West Bank universities.

"That can be the only possible motive for requiring such an undertaking and implicating foreign lecturers in our quarrel," he said.

## West Bank universities reject Israeli proposal

OCCUPIED WEST BANK (Agencies) — The West Bank Council of Higher Education Wednesday announced that it is in effect rejecting the proposed addition to work permit application forms which was offered as a compromise by the Israeli civil administration. In its demand to have non-resident lectures sign an anti-PLO declaration.

In a statement, the council said it has "concluded that the application in its present form is unacceptable and ambiguous and subject to a number of interpretations," and that in its present form, must still be considered "as containing a similar political commitment that academics cannot sign."

The council consists of representatives of the four institutions of higher education in the West Bank — Al-Najah University in Nablus, Birzeit University outside Ramallah, the Catholic University of Bethlehem and the Hebron Polytechnic. In its statement, it proposes that the conditions being demanded by the Israeli authorities be listed on a separate form, and not constitute part of the actual application.

The council's reply, formulated after the foreign faculty themselves met and effectively rejected the proposal, is being communicated to the civil administration through the press, and not directly, because in the words of one university official, "that is how we're trying to avoid decisions and proposals from the authorities."

## Eitan: Israel should not give up West Bank

TEL AVIV (R) — Israeli Chief of Staff Rafael Eitan said he thought "strategic reality" required the retention by Israel of the occupied West Bank of the Jordan.

"As chief of staff, I say what is possible to give up and what not. And if this does not sound nice, they can appoint another chief of staff," he declared.

Gen. Eitan says he cannot confirm or deny that 11 Soviet experts were killed in an Israeli bombing raid in Lebanon.

Israeli newspapers quoted foreign reports as saying the experts killed when Israeli aircraft destroyed the remains of an Israeli plane downed during the Lebanon war.

The raid was launched to prevent secret Israeli electronic equipment falling into enemy hands, the reports said.

Addressing students at Bar-Ilan University near Tel Aviv Thursday night, Lt.-Gen. Eitan said the plane wreckage had been bombed and completely destroyed.

He said he could not confirm that Soviet experts examining the wreckage had been killed or wounded, adding: "But neither can I deny the report."

The chief of staff said Israeli troops would remain in Lebanon as long as was required to ensure what he called the defence and security of Israel's northern border.

## Reagan in Colombia

BOGOTA (R) — U.S. President Ronald Reagan arrived in Bogota from Brazil Friday for a five-hour official visit to Colombia.

He was greeted at the airport by Colombian President Belisario Betancur.

Earlier in Brasilia, in a departure statement handed out as he boarded the presidential jet for Colombia and Costa Rica, Mr. Reagan said his talks with President Joao Figueiredo had given him a deeper understanding of Brazil's view of the world.

The main theme of his visit was an important contact with the West following a series of high-level talks recently with the Soviet Union and its close allies, diplomats said.

In another gesture of friendliness, Mr. Reagan announced an offer to train a Brazilian astronaut and send his on a mission with U.S. spacemen.

The two presidents met for seven hours on Wednesday and went horse-riding together at

Gen. Figueiredo's residence outside the capital Brasilia.

"An interpreter who's worked with presidents for 25 years told me she'd never seen two heads of state hold such relaxed and friendly conversations," U.S. Ambassador Anthony Motley told reporters later.

Mr. Reagan said the talks, which covered international trade and finance, the nuclear arms race and threats to peace in the Western hemisphere, had been successful in spirit and in substance.

"I leave Brazil impressed and reinvigorated. I have felt the warmth and energy of the Brazilian people and their dedication to peace and freedom," he said in the written statement.

Mr. Reagan made a gaffe during the visit when, at a banquet on Wednesday night, he confused Bolivia with Brazil and then with Colombia. "He was very tired," Ambassador Motley explained. "He is human, he made a slip of the tongue."

## Extensive PLO-Jordanian talks fruitful

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Specialist the Jordan Times

AMMAN — A week of intensive Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO)-Jordanian talks here have produced an agreement to form a joint delegation which, if accepted by the U.S., could negotiate a comprehensive settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict. The talks also resulted in setting up a new high-level Jordanian-Palestinian committee to work out details for a proposed confederation of the East and West Banks and Gaza.

In an interview with the Jordan Times, Yasser Abd Rabbo, a member of the PLO Executive Committee and head of its Information Department, said Thursday that the new committee is still studying Jordanian-Palestinian relations in general but that the stage of "specifies" on the form of the joint delegation was not yet reached. Jordanian sources have

confirmed this, even though earlier reports suggested that a Jordanian negotiating team which would include prominent Palestinians named by the PLO had already been agreed upon.

The United States has indicated its willingness to talk to elected West Bank mayors, two of whom, deported Hebrew Mayor Fahd Qaswani and Halhoul Mayor Mohammad Milhem, were received last week by U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz in Washington. The state Department maintains that Mr. Qaswani and Mr. Milhem are not members of the PLO, and Washington would accept their inclusion in any Jordanian negotiating team. Both men met PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat in Tunis just before their departure for the U.S. and are expected to report to him on the talks they held in Washington.

The new ad-hoc committee which is co-chaired by Prime Minister Mudar Badran and Mr. Abd Rabbo

## Weinberger arrives in Yugoslavia

BELGRADE (R) — U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger arrived in Dubrovnik for a 24-hour official visit to Yugoslavia Friday after thick fog stopped his special plane from landing at the Batajnica military airport near Belgrade.

Yugoslav Defence Minister Branko Mamic and other military leaders, waiting to welcome the American party, boarded a Yugoslav military aircraft and left for the southern Adriatic resort where it was decided that Mr. Weinberger would land there.

Yugoslav and U.S. officials followed in another plane to join the two defence ministers for the rescheduled talks, which officials said were expected to centre on bilateral military cooperation, East-West relations and major world issues.

Mr. Weinberger, who flew in from a NATO defence ministers meeting which ended in Brussels Thursday was expected to brief the Yugoslav side on U.S. views on East-West relations after the change of leadership in the Soviet Union, they added.

Mr. Weinberger's visit is the first by a senior U.S. official since Sept. 1981 when former Secretary of State Alexander Haig reiterated Washington's support for Belgrade's independent policies.

Officials in Belgrade say the visit is both politically and militarily important for this Communist but non-aligned country, which, since its break with Moscow in 1948, has kept relations with the two superpowers carefully balanced.

It sets Mr. Weinberger's visit as an important contact with the West following a series of high-level talks recently with the Soviet Union and its close allies, diplomats said.

The defector, Vladimir Kuzichkin, was granted asylum in Britain. Press reports said he was a KGB agent who might have given information about other Soviet spies operating around the world. The Foreign Office said Captain Zotov and his wife Nina were still in Britain. The defector arrived in January last year.

A neighbour said he left his home in the London district of Kensington Friday morning, "got

into a dirty brown car which was driven away by another man, at very high speed."

The Foreign Office said the expulsion was not connected with convicted Soviet agent Geoffrey Prime, who spied for Moscow while working as a Russian linguist at Britain's secret monitoring and code-breaking centre. Prime, 44, was jailed three weeks ago for 35 years.

The Foreign Office said it was soon planning any mass expulsion as in 1971, when 45 Soviet diplomats and 60 other Soviet personnel were given marching orders in a major crackdown on espionage activities in Britain.

The last expulsions were a Soviet trade official last April and a second secretary at the Soviet embassy in August 1981.</

Queen confers with humanitarian group officials

## SOS International to set up village for orphan children

By Afifah A. Kaloti  
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Her Majesty Queen Noor Thursday received at Al Nadwa Palace Prof. Hermann Gmeiner, founder and president of SOS international, Dr.

SOS is an Austria-based organisation that takes care of poor orphans by forming small community villages in various countries. SOS groups orphans in these villages and provide them with an "ideal family atmosphere and a healthy environment for proper productive citizens in their community," Prof. Gmeiner told the Jordan Times.

"The organisation works on basis of four main principles in providing an orphan a normal life. The first one is to provide him with a mother, secondly brothers and sisters, thirdly a house and finally a village," Prof. Gmeiner said.

Queen Noor reviewed with Prof. Gmeiner and the SOS delegation steps which should be taken to establish a model village for accommodating orphans in Jordan. The Queen also praised Prof. Gmeiner and his int-

ernational organisation for the humanitarian work they have been rendering through the years.

"We are very delighted and honoured, for Her Majesty Queen Noor has accepted the honorary chairmanship of Jordan SOS children's village," Prof. Gmeiner said.

The Austrian delegation met with Minister of Social Development In'am Al Mufti, earlier Thursday and discussed the project of establishing the SOS organisation in Jordan. They also discussed ways and means of cooperation between the organisation and the Jordanian Ministry of Social Development.

"Jordan is the only country that have a ministry of social development which shows a sign of awareness of the need of social development," Mrs. Helga Zundel said.

To support Jordan SOS children's village financially, the country should organise fund-raising programmes and activities. Mr. Nidda added.

## Jordan requests postponement of Arab emergency meeting to discuss UNRWA food aid cut

TUNIS (Petra) — The Jordanian government has asked the Arab League General Secretariat to postpone an emergency meeting of the consultative council of the supervisors of the affairs of Palestinian refugees in Arab host countries until Dec. 15.

The Jordanian government explained that the commissioner general of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian refugees (UNRWA) will visit Jordan Dec. 6 to discuss the question for which the council was requested to convene on Dec. 5, namely the UNRWA decision to suspend food rations to the refugees. Jordan expects to obtain from the UNRWA commissioner general information which can be presented to the meeting.

The Arab League General Secretariat has conveyed the Jordanian request to Lebanon, Syria, the Palestine Liberation Organisation—members of the council, in addition to Jordan.

## Jordan to attend social affairs ministers meetings in Tunisia

TUNIS (Petra) — Jordan will participate in the meetings of the second session of the executive bureau of the Arab social affairs ministers council scheduled to begin in Tunis next Monday. During its two-day meetings, the council will discuss next year's budget of the Arab fund for social welfare, a memo on organising an Arab exhibition on handicrafts, and another memo on cooperation with the social development and humanitarian affairs centre in Vienna. Jordan will also participate in the meetings of the third session of

## Solar energy conference opens today

AMMAN (Petra) — Meetings of the second Arab conference on the use of solar energy in agriculture, organised by the Arab Organisation for Agricultural Development (AOAD) in cooperation with the Royal Scientific Society (RSS), will begin Saturday.

The aim of the conference is to determine the use of alternate energy for agricultural purposes in the Arab World, the exchange of expertise and information among Arab and foreign delegates participating in the conference, and planning for the future study of solar technology in view of the economic and social significance of alternate energy sources in the modern world.

The participants in the four-day conference will also discuss solar energy technology and its applications for agricultural purposes, the use of alternate energy sources for heating and refrigeration as well as desalination, pumping of water, irrigation, and the generation of electric energy.

They will also discuss the quality of the materials used in the use of energy for agricultural purposes and the effect of weather and environmental conditions on the efficiency of solar energy systems.



Her Majesty Queen Noor Thursday confers with Minister of Social Development In'am Al Mufti on the far left (Petra photo)

## Zaben contacts Paris on direct line

AMMAN (Petra) — Tel-communications Minister and Director Board Chairman of the Telecommunications Corporation Mohammad Addoub Al Zaben Friday contacted his French counterpart through the Jordanian International electronic telephone switchboard which has begun operating on experimental basis.

Dr. Zaben expressed his pleasure to his French colleague for completing the project and initiating its experimental operation with French support and assistance.

He also expressed hope that the French company manufacturing the switchboard "would fully succeed, particularly that it has already succeeded in the experimental phase." Dr. Zaben also praised the cooperation between Jordan and France in telecommunications.

The French minister congratulated Dr. Zaben on the completion of the experimental phase of the project and expressed his satisfaction for the results achieved despite the difficulties encountered.

He said this accomplishment was "the product of the excellent cooperation between the two countries," and expressed his thanks for an invitation Dr. Zaben extended to him to visit Jordan and said he hoped to make the visit soon to further discuss ways of developing cooperation between Jordan and France.

The operation of the experimental switchboard began Friday morning to Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Syria, the United States, Britain and France.

## NRA reviews geographical, mining activities

AMMAN (Petra) — Natural Resources Authority (NRA) Vice-President Ahmad Dahkhan Thursday discussed with the director and heads of sections of the NRA Geological Research and Mining Directorate (GRMD) the directorate's work and its future projects, particularly shale oil exploration in Al Lajoun in Karak.

The GRMD made a preliminary feasibility study of this project to exploit shale oil, natural gas and other byproducts such as sulphur and quantities of pressurised water vapour which generates some 200 megawatts of electric energy.

The study showed that the method of distillation tested experimentally on shale oil would produce some 50,000 barrels of a good quality oil in addition to natural gas and pure sulphur and electricity as byproducts of the project.

The technical sections at the GRMD continued, after preparing the study, to implement recommendations submitted in

preparation for beginning the implementation of the second phase of the project, which includes a comprehensive and detailed feasibility study.

As for the project of prospecting for shale oil in the area extending between Dab'ah and Ma'an, an agreement was signed with the West German geological survey department to implement the project. A joint Jordan-West German team has already begun work there, and field work, laboratory tests and geological surveys are expected to be completed by the end of this month.

The final report, maps and designs will be completed in the first half of 1983. Preliminary results of the study indicate that there are large quantities of shale oil in the areas of Jurf Al Darawish, Al Sulayhe, Al Hasa and Al Qatranch.

The NRA has also signed an agreement with a British firm to make a feasibility study of a mine which is expected to produce 300 tonnes of copper per year. Pro-

specting and excavation work by the GRMD began in the second half of 1982.

Thursday's meeting also reviewed the progress of work in a project for ground thermal energy sources in Ma'an Springs.

Sites of seven experimental wells were fixed for the purpose of studying ground thermal radiation. A 12-kilometre dirt road was also opened for excavation sites.

The conferees also discussed a project for prospecting for gypsum raw materials in Tufieh area with the aim of finding new sources of gypsum to cope with the increasing demand, particularly the demand of the cement industry and geological survey activities in the country in general.

A technical team is currently analysing the results of the electromagnetic survey to prepare the final report and the work programme for the second phase of the project which will include experimental excavations.

## 'Alia and Sierra Leone Airlines -- partners in progress'

AMMAN (J.T.) — During ceremonies in Freetown, launching the new Sierra Leone Airlines early last month, Sierra Leone President Siaka Stevens outlined his country's past twenty years of domestic aviation experience under British management and its hopes for the future. He addressed an assembly of Sierra Leone officials, diplomats and a Jordanian delegation comprising Mr. Ali Suleiman, minister of transport, Mr. Saleh Kurdi, director general of the Civil Aviation Authority, and Alia, the Royal Jordanian Airline's Chairman and President Al Ghadour.

President Stevens maintained that he supported the expansion of the airline, even at a time when the aviation industry was experiencing problems, on the basis of the adage "nothing attempted, nothing done." Dr. Stevens stated that "we need a fully autonomous national airline after an agreed specified period, using the experience of an external expertise. We wanted full participation as partners to develop Sierra Leone Airlines until indigenous Sierra Leoneans have acquired the management and technical skills which should enable them to perform their responsibilities more confidently and efficiently." This was one primary reason for choosing Alia as a partner in managing the new airline, he said.

President Stevens also expressed special appreciation of Alia's "spirit of cooperation" from the very beginning, when in January 1982, it extended management assistance before even signing a formal agreement. Furthermore, the president was pleased to note that since Alia's involvement, Sierra Leone's domestic services have been operating without government subsidy or bank overdraft.

Following the president's address, Al Haji M.S. Mustapha, chairman of the board of directors of Sierra Leone Airlines, reviewed the objectives of the expanded international airline. "The safe, efficient, and economic development of air transportation within and outside of Sierra Leone, to promote tourism in the country, to earn foreign exchange, to establish an international industry which will bring new skills and exchanges to Sierra Leone, and to develop an interair capacity for Sierra Leone to run its own airline," are the objectives of the airline, he said.

The chairman also explained that Sierra Leone sought a new management and a new name, because "this is a new company and requires new impetus." He noted that Sierra Leone Airlines is using a Boeing 747 newly-painted



Jordanian and Sierra Leonean dignitaries attend ceremonies held Nov. 2 at Freetown to mark the launching of Sierra Leone Airlines

with its green, blue and white flag colours, on a three-year wet lease from Alia, and that it is also receiving management, engineering, technical and financing support from Europe to the African country.

The new airline has a total share capital of 10 million leones, provided 60 per cent by the national government, 20 per cent by Alia, and 20 per cent by private Sierra Leonean investors. Total call up shares are valued at two million leones.

Presently, Sierra Leone Airlines flies between Freetown and Paris, but once this route is well-established, others will be added. Its West African destinations include Lagos, Abidjan and Mon-

rovia. Alia offices worldwide are acting as general sales agents for the new airline and are working hard to generate tourism from Europe to the African country.

Al Haji Mustapha also noted that Alia has already involved Sierra Leoneans in a comprehensive training programme, which is expected to achieve nationalisation of staff within three to five years. Sierra Leoneans are training in ticketing, sales, traffic, marketing and flight services at Alia's training centre and head office in Amman. Additionally, two pilot scholarships for Sierra Leoneans have been provided by Alia at its flight training centre.

A number of Alia professionals

have been assigned to Freetown to supervise various management and technical functions and to provide on-site training. Alia Captain K. Yusuffidin is now in Freetown, putting his 30 years of aviation experience to work as Sierra Leone Airlines' first managing director and chief executive.

At the close of the Nov. 2 ceremonies, Dr. A.F. Joe Jackson, Sierra Leone's minister of transportation and communications, moved a vote of thanks on behalf of the chairman of the board of directors and his ministry on this "history-making occasion." To Alia's chairman and president, the minister said, "Thank you for having responded to our call when we needed you and I hope we will continue the friendship already existing."

"Mr. Ghadour has often expressed his conviction that the Royal Jordanian Airline has a responsibility to support the development of air services in other Third World countries, and its willingness and preparedness to provide assistance whenever it is appropriate. The current memorandum of association with Sierra Leone Airlines is but first link in what is hoped will be a long chain of cooperation in other air transportation ventures," a spokesman for Alia told the Jordan Times.

## ACDIMA submits report to Arab industrial meeting

AMMAN (Petra) — Arab Company for Drug Industries and Medical Appliances (ACDIMA) Director-General Dr. Hashim Al Dhaher returned to Amman from Doha Thursday after participating in a seminar on joint Arab industrial projects. The seminar was sponsored by the Gulf Organisation for Industrial Consultations (GOIC), and the Organisation of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC).

Dr. Dhaher said he presented a report on ACDIMA works, its experience in manufacturing drugs and its role in Arab economic integration, in addition to problems faced in establishing industrial projects and financing them.

Dr. Dhaher's paper stressed the need for securing the marketing of Arab drug production, and protecting it from multi-national monopolies.

The seminar was attended by a number of Arab specialists in various industrial fields and economics.

## Training course opens today at RSS for road technicians

AMMAN (Petra) — A training course for road technicians opens at the Royal Scientific Society (RSS) Saturday.

The course, organised by the United Nations Programme for Science and Technology in cooperation with RSS Construction Research Centre, aims at improving the standard of technicians and engineers working with road construction, introducing most recent methods and facilities.

Participants from Yemen Arab Republic, People's Democratic Republic of Yemen, Iraq, Libya, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Jordan are expected to take part in the course.

## CAEU committee discusses ministerial session's agenda

AMMAN (Petra) — Meetings of the committee of the deputy permanent representatives of the Council of Arab Economic Unity (CAEU) were concluded here Thursday.

During its two-day meetings, the committee discussed a number of topics proposed to be listed on the agenda of the 39th session to be held Sunday of the ministerial council of the signatory states of the CEAU agreement.

Most important of these topics is the annual economic report submitted by the CEAU secretary general dealing with the most important economic indicators in the Arab World as well as on the international level.

The committee referred to the ministerial council recommendations made by the sub-committees to render technical assistance services for the less developed Arab states, and the draft general budget of the CEAU General Secretariat for next year.

The committee chairman and head of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) delegation, Mohammad Al Hajiri, expressed his appreciation for the cooperation among the participating delegations to prepare the agenda of the next session, which is expected to give a push to Arab economic action.

Kuwait's chief delegate Fahd Al Rashid, on behalf of the participating states, praised the efforts made to reach the positive results accomplished in the meetings.

Meanwhile, CEAU Secretary-General Fakhri Kadouri received a message from Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Secretary-General Abdullah Bishara thanking the CEAU for its support of the GCC and its goals.

Mr. Bishara praised the CEAU's initiatives in proposing formulas for cooperation among the organisations dealing with joint Arab economic action.

Dr. Kadouri last month sent a letter to Mr. Bishara emphasising the GCC's positive role in strengthening and coordinating economic and development relations among Arab states.

He called for the exchange of expertise among Arab economic organisations and enterprises, particularly in implementing projects and programmes of joint interest.

The committee chairman and head of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) delegation, Mohammad Al Hajiri, expressed his appreciation for the cooperation among the participating delegations to prepare the agenda of the next session, which is expected to give a push to Arab economic action.

The conferees also discussed a project for prospecting for gypsum raw materials in Tufieh area with the aim of finding new sources of gypsum to cope with the increasing demand, particularly the demand of the cement industry and geological survey activities in the country in general.

A technical team is currently analysing the results of the electromagnetic survey to prepare the final report and the work programme for the second phase of the project which will include experimental excavations.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Crown Prince condoles Baqa'een family

AMMAN (Petra) — His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent, Thursday deplored the death of Ghaleb Baqa'een, who was killed in an accident last Monday.

### Hassan congratulates UAE leader

AMMAN (Petra) — His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent, Thursday sent a cable to United Arab Emirates (UAE) President Sheikh Zayed Ibn Sultan Al Nahyan congratulating him on the UAE's National Day. Prince Hassan wished President Zayed health and happiness, and the UAE people progress and prosperity.

### Badran receives Soviet Islamic leader

AMMAN (Petra) — Prime Minister Mudar Badran received at his office on Thursday Sheikh Shukrallah, the sheikh of Islam in the Soviet Socialist Republic of Azerbaijan. During the meeting, which was attended by Islamic Chief Justice Ibrahim Al Ottan, they discussed matters related to Muslims in the Soviet Union.

### Zarqa to form cattleraisers' society

IRBID (Petra) — A preparatory committee of 14 members was formed Thursday to organise a society of cattle raisers in Zarqa district. The committee is headed by Upper House of Parliament Member Qasim Al Ottan. Speakers at the meeting discussed the benefits of forming the society and ways for developing animal wealth in the governorate.

### Italian graphic exhibition opens

AMMAN (Petra) — An exhibition of Italian contemporary graphic arts was opened at the Alia Art Gallery here Thursday. Paintings representing various Italian art schools after World War II and various aspects of Italian life will be shown during the week-long exhibition. The opening ceremony, in which 30 Italian artists are participating, was attended by Culture and Arts Department Director Haidar Mahmoud, and the Italian ambassador in Amman in addition to a large gathering.

### 'Ain Jana housing project planned

IRBID (Petra) — The Housing Corporation has decided to implement a housing project of 'Ain Jana town in the Ajloun district. Engineering designs of the 56 residential apartments have been drawn up, and work on the project will begin in the next two months, a corporation spokesman said.

### Zarqa Free Zone gets first shipment

ZARQA (Petra) — Zarqa Free Zone Thursday received its first land shipment of goods, arriving from Baghdad. About 500 tons of the cargo were moved to the zone's stores, which were announced ready to receive imported goods, after completing construction works.

By Neocosmos Tzallas

Reuter

**ATHENS** — Greek scientists are running a race against time to counteract the acid rain gradually dissolving the capital's ancient monuments.

The socialist government has taken steps to stop further damage while the scientists, led by an Athens professor of chemistry, seek a permanent remedy.

New regulations restrict factory emissions, enforce the use of cleaner fuel for central heating and ban half the country's cars and lorries from the city centre every

## Greek scientists out to save ancient monuments from acid rain

other day according to licence plate numbers.

Motor vehicles and factories in the Athens area have increased dramatically in number over the last 25 years, putting more and more sulphur dioxide into the atmosphere.

The chemical turns rain into a weak solution of sulphuric acid, which reacts with statues and old buildings, turning their marble surfaces into soft, easily eroded gypsum.

The process has blurred the finely carved friezes and figures on

the acropolis, the 2,500-year-old Hilltop Citadel, and other classical buildings.

But the new measures are not expected to have much effect unless scientists can come up with a special chemical coating that will halt the steady erosion.

Scientists believe ancient Greek marbles have deteriorated more in the past 30 years than in the previous 2,500.

Photographs taken of the caryatides, six maiden-shaped statues in the Erechtheion Temple on the acropolis, in 1955 and 1965 show

that in just 10 years the acid rain has eaten away noses and disfigured other carefully sculpted details.

It was while looking at such photographs some years ago that a group of chemical engineers working under Prof. Theodore Skoulikidis, of Athens polytechnic school, decided to take up the cause of the marbles as a matter of national pride.

The group said it had discovered the complex processes of decay which were ruining Greek monuments by turning their sur-

faces into plaster-like gypsum.

A more startling find was that the gypsum layer, more than a centimetre (0.4 inches) thick on some statues, could faithfully reproduce the original details, while the actual marble underneath was irreparably eaten away.

Prof. Skoulikidis told Reuters he next discovered that whenever it rained on the outdoor statues, the gypsum washed off, leaving ugly and extensive scars on what were once works of genius.

He said acid rain was estimated to be destroying the marbles at a

rate six times greater than natural erosion processes. A hundred years' wear-and-tear could now be expected in 15 or 20.

Ten years ago the short-term answer was obvious, get the reliefs indoors and fast.

But it was found that sulphur dioxide attacks indoor exhibits as well, so some, like the caryatids, were placed in glass cases filled with circulating nitrogen.

Prof. Skoulikidis was one of the first to discard impractical plans to enclose the whole acropolis plateau, which measures 320 metres

by 140 (1050 feet by 460), in a vast glass bubble. The heating and ventilation problems would be insuperable, he said.

His own aim is to fight corrosion with chemistry, but he concedes the fight will be tough. He hopes to develop a transparent chemical coating impervious to acid rain and other pollutants which could be sprayed on to the reliefs.

It took him years to understand and precise molecular mechanism which makes the antiquities crumble. He calls it "solid-state calcium ion diffusion", and says the

ponderous term holds the key to developing an antidote.

But Prof. Skoulikidis believes it will be several years before the miracle chemical coating emerges from laboratories.

He and his team are working fast in the knowledge that Greece is claiming back priceless treasures from the world's museums and that sulphur dioxide could damage them if they are returned before a cure is found.

Film star Melina Mercouri, minister of culture since the social government of Andreas Papandreou took office in October 1981, has led a Greek campaign to have exported treasures brought home.

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much longer than they thought we would or we would have liked.

No-one can logically think that development stops at having direct telephone contact with the outside world, nor should anyone ignore the fact that it is now possible to receive bad news or raise personal expenditure more quickly. To make the best out of our achievements, and those things that we expect or want to achieve, we must not lose sight of what this country really needs and of what should be its priorities. Installing the ISD in Jordan is a vital achievement, for us here and for many others around us. The experience, however, must be made to help consolidate what we have already: to strengthen our institutions and raise our human being's productivity. Otherwise, what use would it be doing more talking to Washington, London or Paris, when it is sometimes less difficult to travel to another Jordanian city than to call one of its telephone numbers? Or, doing the talking from our neighbour's office.

## JORDAN'S ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

### Al Ra'i: Arab-Soviet talks--most significant

The seven-member Arab League committee, led by His Majesty King Hussein, arrived in Moscow Thursday for talks with the Soviet leadership, and present the Arab peace plan arrived at in Fez.

It is a significant stage of joint Arab action on the international scene to rally support for a just and durable peace in the Middle East.

The committee's visit to Moscow obviously indicates that the Soviet Union's role in resolving the Middle-East conflict is in no way less important than that of the United States or Europe. As a superpower greatly interested in world peace, great effort is expected from the Soviet Union to help establish a comprehensive peace in the region, which is constantly liable to be a hotbed of tension threatening world peace, due to Israeli aggressive policies.

Israel has invariably tried to keep the Soviet

### Al Dustour: Israel's hand clearly evident

The assassination attempt at Lebanese national leader Walid Jumblat's life is a striking evidence of the tireless Israeli drive at feeding enemy feelings and accelerating hostilities within Lebanese communities.

It is no surprise any more that where some Israeli forces tread, hostilities among some Lebanese factions are enraged. Such a climate is fully appropriate for promoting Israeli chances to delay its withdrawal from Lebanon, and creating suitable atmospheres for achieving the political, economic and military goals of its invasion of Lebanon.

The unanimous election of Lebanese President Bashir Gemayel, and the recent nation-wide response to the general strike to protest the criminal attempt at Mr. Jumblat's life, clearly demonstrate the Lebanese people's high awareness of Israeli plots, and their determination to foil all efforts aimed at inciting communal disturbances and maintaining Lebanon's occupation by the invading Israeli forces: the only party to benefit from

killing Mr. Jumblat.

To help the Lebanese people restore sovereignty and reconstruct their country, Arab countries are called upon to extend every possible political and economic aid to the Lebanese government and people. A serious Arab stand at the international level will certainly help create material basis for repelling all Israeli ambitions in Lebanon.

The U.S., as the engineer and guarantor of peace in Lebanon following the Israeli invasion, is fully responsible for the initiation of a new approach that would guarantee Lebanese sovereignty after a total Israeli withdrawal from Lebanese territory.

The present situation in Lebanon, and the indifferent American stand towards Israeli practices only make us wonder if the U.S. really cares to see the Israelis pull out from Lebanon. If not, then of what value or validity could the U.S. initiative for resolving the Middle East conflict be?

## Women's rights in Zimbabwe

By Tomic Sakalke  
Reuter

HARARE — The Socialist government's attempt to bring about a social revolution in Zimbabwe, notably in the field of women's rights, is meeting strong opposition from traditionalists. Prime Minister Robert Mugabe and his ministers have been telling Zimbabweans recently that they want to improve the status of women and abolish outmoded attitudes and practices so as to create a more egalitarian society.

Last week Mr. Mugabe told a southern African women's conference here that governments often showed little enthusiasm for removing sexual discrimination because it was "embedded in the solid cocoon of culture and customary practice."

But traditionalists resent the attack on their cherished customs. In particular they are angry that a new law covering the legal age of majority could mean the end of the ancient practice of *roora*, under which a prospective husband makes gifts to the parents of his intended wife.

"No man can take my daughter for nothing. She is not a prostitute," declared an elderly woman from Mbare, a communal area, near the capital.

"*Roora* stabilises marriage. I would not feel married if I did not pay anything," a secondary school teacher educated in Britain told Reuters.

According to Legal and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Eddie Zvobgo, *roora* could die out under the terms of the law setting the age of majority for both sexes at 18, which comes into force next month. Parliamentary sources say it is the first major legislation designed to end discrimination against black Zimbabwean women, who form more than half the country's population.

The sources say the legislation, which has generated a lively debate on radio and television and in the press, confers on adult black Zimbabwean women, who are regarded as perpetual minors under tribal law, the right to enter into contracts, including marriage bonds, without the prior consent of a husband or guardian.

As a result *roora*, regarded by traditionalists as the backbone of a marriage contract, would become voluntary.

Defending the new law in parliament, Community Development and Women's Affairs Minister Teurai Ropa Nhongo stated: "We do not see the bill as intended to destroy the closely-knit family institution. It should not be seen as creating enmity between husbands and wives or between fathers and daughters." But University of Zimbabwe researcher Joan May says the new laws could have little effect unless other tribal and statute laws which discriminate against women were abolished.

Miss May said: "Under the Afri-

ican marriages act, a woman cannot own property and her wages belong to her husband. The husband has total control of the marriage property."

At the same time, however, the government is concerned that changes taking place in Zimbabwean society could result in a breakdown of traditional social life. Urbanisation, western influences and the civil war that led to independence two-and-a-half years ago are blamed for what is seen as a rapid decline in morals.

Deputy Education Minister Joseph Culverwell has said many girls are being expelled from the country's schools after becoming pregnant, which is an expellable offence in Zimbabwe.

The minister has not given figures but the seriousness of the problem is underscored by a campaign launched recently by concerned groups in support of sex education in schools. June Tsodzai, chief youth adviser with Zimbabwe's Child Spacing and Fertility Association (CSFA), says there was no need for sex education in black schools.

Present legislation permits abortion only to save the life of mother or child or to terminate a pregnancy resulting from assault. Medical sources blame traditional doctors, whose practice was legalised last year, for the rise in illegal abortions. They say cases, which represent only the tip of an iceberg, become known only when they are referred to hospitals.

"Mr. Seaga has used his big majority to reverse many of his predecessor's policies, particularly the heavy state role in the economy, and has achieved the first positive growth rate and balance of payments surplus in eight years. Economic performance this year is likely to be good, though gravely affected by declines in haukite and sugar exports."

Jamaica is among the world's top five haukite producers, but according to Mr. Seaga the industry is going through its worst ever year as a result of capacity cutbacks in U.S. aluminum factories. Production is projected to be down 35 per cent on last year at

## Two months with Kohl

# Continuity rather than new accents

By Paul Taylor  
Reuter

BONN — Unanswering friendship to the United States and unquestioning loyalty to NATO are the foreign policy themes that have dominated conservative West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's first two months in office.

Seeking to make up for his inexperience in foreign affairs, Mr. Kohl has swiftly met U.S. French, British and Italian leaders. He pledged "continuity with new accents" in Bonn's foreign policy. So far the continuity has been more evident than the new accents.

In this effort to don the mantle of statesmanship left by Helmut Schmidt, his Social Democratic (SPD) predecessor, Mr. Kohl has adopted virtually all the former chancellor's policies and much of his language. A former senior aide to Mr. Schmidt said Mr. Kohl's first foreign policy statement to parliament last week "could have been given word-for-word by Helmut Schmidt."

The aide said that quite apart from Mr. Kohl's attachment to continuity, it's just a simple fact that German foreign policy has so little room for manoeuvre." Western diplomats say the main char-

acter of Mr. Kohl has been one of tone.

The Christian Democratic (CDU) chancellor, who exudes an optimism which supporters find infectious and critics scorn as naive, has made a point of being extremely friendly in public to President Reagan and U.S. policy. He has dropped the previous government's talk of a "security partnership" with the Soviet Union, which irritated Washington. But Mr. Kohl's message to Mr. Reagan is no different from Mr. Schmidt's -- West Germany is a loyal ally but does not approve of every U.S. action and cannot meet every American request.

He does not lecture the Americans about interest rates and economic policy as Mr. Schmidt did, and he draws a more indulgent and less irritated response from White House, even though he followed Mr. Schmidt in urging Mr. Reagan to meet new Soviet leader Yuri Andropov.

### Disappointment

U.S. officials at a conservative seminar here last weekend privately expressed disappointment that the new Bonn government was not taking a tougher line against the Soviet bloc.

But senior diplomats say Washington is determined not to "rock the boat" until after the general election next March at which it hopes to see Mr. Kohl re-elected. Only after that honeymoon will it raise again the issues of East-West trade and West Germany's substantial defence budget, the diplomats say.

The Social Democrats, consigned to the opposition benches at least until next March, are finding it hard to attack Mr. Kohl's foreign policy. Their main argument in the debate that followed his policy statement was that the appearance of continuity was deceptive and dangerous changes were just around the corner.

Mr. Kohl deliberately highlighted his government's firm support for NATO plans to deploy new U.S. medium-range nuclear missiles in western Europe if necessary next year. Aides say he intends to make support for NATO's decision to rarm if arms control talks with Moscow fail a centerpiece of his campaign for re-election next March.

Despite the emergence of a big protest movement challenging the deployment plan, Mr. Kohl feels that broad majority of West Germans support NATO policy and trust him rather than the soc-

ial democrats to implement it.

### Rearmament priority

The SPD, which also professes support for the plan, argued in parliament that the new government was giving rearmament priority over negotiation, a charge that Mr. Kohl denies. One senior television commentator described the exchanges as: "The dress-rehearsal for 'missiles election campaign.'"

Whether West German foreign policy undergoes a real shift in the long term may depend on the outcome of the March poll. One of the key figures in the present continuity is Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher.

But opinion polls show that if the election were held now, Mr. Genscher's Free Democratic Party (FDP) would lose all its seats in parliament. Since the FDP shows little sign of overcoming its internal disarray, Mr. Genscher may be an unemployed lawyer after March and right-wing Bavarian Premier Franz Josef Strauss could be on the threshold of the foreign ministry.

Both friends and critics of Mr. Strauss agree on one thing -- his foreign policy would be radically different.

Even if Mr. Genscher survives, diplomats detect some signs that West German policy towards the Middle East and the third world may undergo changes. Mr. Kohl is much warmer towards Israel than his predecessor and has promised to visit the Jewish state next year, something Mr. Schmidt never did in eight years in office.

The new government has pledged continued support for the European Community's 1980 Venice declaration, which called for Palestinian self-determination. But diplomats say that in reality Bonn is now much less concerned about the Palestinians than under Mr. Schmidt.

Development aid was one of the victims of Mr. Kohl's first budget cuts. Economic Cooperation Minister Juergen Warlich has said top priority will be given to projects which secure jobs in West Germany.

Mr. Kohl has made emotional appeals for greater European unification. But diplomats say that the new Bonn government has taken just as tough a line in community financial negotiations as its predecessors. "That's one area where there is real continuity," said one European diplomat.

The Middle East is Mr. Urquhart's area of special expertise. In his own right and formerly as an aide to the Under Secretary General Ralph J. Bunche, who won the Nobel Peace Prize as a Middle East mediator, Mr. Urquhart has been involved with all U.N. peacekeeping operations.

Last summer, Israeli troops largely unopposed by U.N. soldiers in their drive against Palestinian fighters in Lebanon. Still, Mr. Urquhart supports the U.N. posture. "The moment the U.N. peacekeeping force becomes part of the battle," he said in the interview, "it's really more or less lost, because it becomes involved in exactly the situation it's trying to stop."

During the 1960s turmoil in the Congo (now Zaire), when a U.N. force helped prevent mineral-rich Katanga province from seceding, Mr. Urquhart at least twice narrowly escaped being shot by Katangese rebels.

Another time undisciplined Katangese troops -- who were supported by white mercenaries, among them Colonel "mad Mike" Hoare -- pulled him off a U.N. truck and broke his nose. Mercenary Michael Hoare, nicknamed "mad mike" for his swashbuckling style in combat, was jailed for 10 years last July for his part in an abortive coup attempt in the Seychelles.

The Congo operation represented the only time that U.N. troops were authorised to use force other than in self-defence.

## More imagination and alertness

By Michael Littlejohns  
Reuter

UNITED NATIONS — The United Nations needs to be more alert to potential conflicts, with the result that it was too late to do anything. Under the U.N. charter, the secretary general may direct the council's attention to potential crises, Mr. Urquhart said he believes. Mr. Perez de Cuello intends to use that power, which most of his predecessors seldom exercised and then only with extreme caution.

"It certainly was a surprise to most of us -- and, I think, to the people involved too," Mr. Urquhart, the under-secretary general for special political affairs, said in a television interview. "This shouldn't have happened."

When Argentina seized the Falklands from the British last April, U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuello was away in Geneva. Days elapsed before he became involved in the search for a settlement: Mainly because neither Britain nor Argentina wanted his aid at first.

Fighting erupted between the two nations when he was unable to produce a compromise acceptable to both of them. The General Assembly, in a resolution promoted by Argentina but opposed by Britain, recently directed him to try again. The British say they are not ready for new negotiations.

Mr. Urquhart said the secretary general felt that there were times

### Distribution of wealth

With three years left of his five-year term, Mr. Seaga has kept much of his popularity and is favoured to win again in 1985. But much will depend on his programme to stimulate the domestic economy and ensure an equitable distribution of wealth.

Unemployment, though declining slowly, is still at 26 per cent. Although inflation fell from 28 per cent in 1980 to 4.7 per cent last year, it is creeping up to around seven per cent in 1982.

Opposition spokesmen charge that all Mr. Seaga has achieved is to increase Jamaica's foreign debt and encourage consumption without productive improvements to back it up. He also risks unpopularity by trying to eliminate the lucrative marijuana trade, which often provides the only hope for Jamaica's poor to make money. Ganja, as it is called locally, is grown extensively in the hills of central Jamaica and flown to the U.S. in small planes.

In the rugged interior, ganja trade affluence shows in brand new limousines imported from the U.S. sitting outside wooden shacks. Mr. Seaga has attempted to destroy crops but the measure of local defiance can be gauged by the comments of one trader who claims marijuana is being grown on government land.

Jamaica stands a good chance of consolidating its economic improvement, but its precarious foreign exchange situation and dependence on the U.S. make it vulnerable, bankers say.

David Rockefeller, former chairman of Chase Manhattan Bank and leader of a joint U.S.-Jamaica business investment committee thinks rebuilding investor confidence will be a slow process. "Jamaicans must guard against unrealistic expectations and premature frustration," he said during a recent visit.



**Mr. Rateb Al Wazani talks about U.K. visit**

# Justice undersecretary would like to see legal aid in Jordan

By Samira Kawar  
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — The modern Jordanian legal system is only decades old and dates back to Jordan's birth as a state in 1921, while the British legal system is centuries old.

However, both systems seem to work "equally well", says Justice Undersecretary Rateb Al Wazani, who paid a recent visit to England to further study the legal British system.

Mr. Wazani, who is also a judge, headed a six-member delegation of Jordanian judges on a visit to England between Oct. 17 and Oct. 31 at the invitation of the British government. The Department of the Lord Chancellor (equivalent to the Jordanian Justice Minister) arranged for the delegation to visit many courts in England, including magistrate's courts, county courts, the High Court and the House of Lords Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Wazani pointed out several interesting differences between the British and Jordanian legal systems.

Whilst all practising lawyers in Jordan can appear in court, practising lawyers in England are divided into barristers and solicitors, and it is only the former who appear in court, while the latter carry out legal work in offices. This specialised division of the legal profession does not exist in Jordan.

Another major difference bet-

ween the two systems is the way in which trials are conducted in court. British judges, unlike Jordanian judges, rarely interfere in the conduct of trials. "The two litigants fight out the trial as though it were a boxing match and the judge only interferes when one of the parties breaks the rules," says Mr. Wazani.

By contrast, trials are conducted very differently both in Jordan and on the European continent, particularly in criminal cases, where the judge begins the trial by reading the record, then summoning the witnesses and questioning them himself.

This means that the questions put to witnesses are asked at the discretion of the judge rather than of the prosecution or defence counsel, though they are later allowed to cross-examine witnesses. In civil cases, however, trials in Jordan, continental Europe and Britain do not differ very greatly, Mr. Wazani said.

Another major difference between British and Jordanian legal institutions is the existence of a jury system in Britain, while no such system exists in Jordan.

A jury determines whether the defendant is guilty or not in each and every criminal case in Britain, while the sentence itself is pronounced by the judge. However, juries are not used in England in civil cases — except for libel, slander and false imprisonment — and in magistrate's courts dealing

with minor criminal cases where the sentence imposed does not exceed six months of imprisonment.

The British Court of Appeal and the House of Lords Judiciary Committee (the country's highest court of appeal) does not have a jury either.

In Jordan, it is the judge, even in criminal cases, who pronounces the verdict of guilty or not guilty as well as the sentence.

### Social justice

Mr. Wazani pointed out that the recourse to a jury system in England originally came about as part of society's development and shift towards social justice.

Judges in earlier times had come from the wealthier classes and the possibility of their class prejudices or lack of insight into the predicaments of less privileged classes was offset by the presence of a jury drawn from different categories of society.

Social development in Jordan has taken a different course, and the legal system is much younger than the British legal system, so the necessity for installing a jury system in Jordan was never necessary to ensure that less privileged criminals are spared social discrimination, Mr. Wazani explained.

Another interesting feature of the British legal system which makes it different to Jordan's legal

system is the appointment of some 25,000 laymen as justices of the peace. It is these lay justices — who receive part-time salaries from the government and work a minimum of 16 hours a year — who by and large preside over Bri-

tain's magistrate's courts. Only 60 stipendiary (fully salaried) magistrates are officially appointed by the government on a full-time basis.

Mr. Wazani pointed out that this system of appointing lay justi-

cies has proved to be very economical, and served to make the entire British judicial system inexpensive enough to be available to all classes of society.

### Legal aid

In 70 per cent of all civil cases in Britain, the litigants' legal fees are paid by the government under the legal aid system. The remaining 30 per cent of litigants, such as trade unions, corporations and wealthy individuals, pay their own legal fees. This ensures that claimants and defendants who otherwise would not have had the financial means to benefit from the legal system have justice available to them. No less than 90 per cent of criminal cases in Britain are financed by the government, which spends £200 million per year on legal aid in general.

There is no system in Jordan whereby civil cases are eligible for financial aid on such a comprehensive scale. Only in criminal cases, for which the sentence is execution or life imprisonment, is a lawyer appointed by the court and his fees paid when the defendant is unable to afford his own lawyer.

The legal aid system is one aspect of the British legal set up which Mr. Wazani would like to see applied in Jordan. This would give citizens who cannot afford to bring court cases on their own or defendants who cannot afford law-

yers, access to the judicial system here Mr. Wazani said.

Another process operative in the British legal system which Mr. Wazani would like to see applied to Jordan is the exchange of all written pieces of evidence between litigants at the pre-court stage. In Britain, it is obligatory under the law for the two parties to exchange all written evidence in their possession before the case goes to court, thus making the strengths and weaknesses of each case available to each of the opponents before the case appears in court, and obviating the occurrence of any surprises.

### Court time

Mr. Wazani described this procedure as "very useful" because it leads to the settlement of many cases out of court. Out of 20,000 cases brought before one British court-in-Croydon last year, only 340 cases reached court, while the rest were settled outside, Mr. Wazani said. He added that he would very much like to see this procedure adopted here, because it would save the time and effort spent on cases that could be settled out of court, he said.

Another difference between the British and Jordanian judicial systems is that any Jordanian can as of right appeal to the Supreme Court, which as a result hears hundreds of cases per year. By contrast, the House of Lords Jud-

icial Committee only hears cases which are referred to it after leave has been obtained for such reference of the case by the court at which the case last appeared. Such leave is granted by courts in very rare cases, so that the House of Lords Judiciary Committee does not hear more than 50 or so cases every year.

One major difference between British and Jordanian law is that under Jordanian law, all cases relating to marriage, divorce and inheritance are heard by religious courts (Shariah in the case of Muslims and Ecclesiastical in the case of Christians), whereas ecclesiastical law in Britain does not apply to laymen.

Family cases in Britain at present come under the jurisdiction of the magistrate's court, county court or High Court, but a law commission is presently studying the possibility of bringing family cases under the jurisdiction of one court.

In Jordan, all practising lawyers are members of the Professional Bar Association. When a lawyer is appointed as a judge, he automatically loses his membership of the Bar Association. In Britain, barristers can belong to one of four Inns of Court, which are the equivalent of a bar association. The appointment of a barrister as a magistrate or judge does not mean termination of membership of the Inns of Court.



Mr. Rateb Al Wazani headed a six-man delegation to U.K.

## Counting China's billion is a massive task

By Lin Hong

CHINA — The massive task of processing the Chinese census is now under way. One of the most ambitious statistical undertakings of all time, this is the first Chinese census since 1964, the country's first computerised census and the most comprehensive.

In the old days, poor people often went into hiding when officials came around for a head count. They feared that the gov-

ernment would drag them into the army, levy more taxes, or press-gang them for labour. This time a massive publicity effort reassured peasants and workers that the census meant them no harm, and that providing accurate information was in their own interest.

Two and a half years were spent in preparation and training a nationwide staff of 5.7 million interviewers and supervisors. Several trial counts were taken. In 1980, a

pilot census of 9.5 million around the city of Wuxi on the Yangtze River produced a net error of only 0.07%.

It took only 10 days to canvass Chiao's estimated billion. In Sichuan province alone — with a population equal to Japan's 118 million — 300 census stations had to be set up. A thousand enumerators went on horseback into the remote corners of Tibet. Since listing the dead is auspicious in Tibetan tradition, that part of the

census questionnaire was omitted there. In Jiangsu, census takers counted 680,000 dwellers on lakes, marshes and harboured boats with four days of the census beginning on July 1.

The results of this massive exercise will produce the most precise demographic profile of China ever attempted and will help to determine the country's future plans.

For instance, Bai Jianguang, Deputy Director of the Population Census Office, points out that people now have to wait in line to get their hair cut and to eat lunch in restaurants. The census could help improve living conditions by indicating how many people are needed in the service trades. This is the first comprehensive survey of trades, professions and unemployment since the People's Republic was founded in 1949.

Other important elements of the census survey include the fertility status of women between 15 and 64 years and the number of children born in 1981 to women of child-bearing age (15-49 years). Information on the rate of live births and life expectancy will also emerge from the census. This data will be used in programmes to stabilise the population in China, the world's most populous nation.

### Slowed development

Chinese Premier Zhao Ziyang has said that the country faces criti-

cal strict control of population growth, or unimproved living conditions and unsuccessful economic programmes. Mr. Liu Zheog, a demographer at People's University, Beijing, points out that national economic development has been slowed by the need to spend most of the country's revenue on people's day-to-day needs.

Over the last 30 years, some 600 million have been born in China, causing a net population increase of 430 million. In 10 years the growth rate has been halved to 1.2%, one of the lowest in the Third World. Baby booms are expected in the mid 1980s and the early 1990s, but China hopes to achieve a zero growth rate and limit its population to 1.2 billion by the year 2000. Now couples who have only one child get priority for education and health care and receive monetary benefits.

Mr. Bai Jianguang expects that the census will also show a redistribution of population reflecting the creation of new cities and towns to accommodate China's steady industrial development. The proportion of industrial workers and of the minority nationalities will probably have increased.

China has undertaken two national censuses in the past, both tabulated manually with the traditional abacus. The first, in 1953, recorded a population of nearly 602 million. In 1964 over 723 mil-

lion Chinese were counted, including 30 million "overseas Chinese".

This census is being tabulated and analysed with a network of 29 sophisticated computers and a 1,000-strong nationwide computer staff. China got a \$1.56 million grant from the U.N. Fund for Population Activities for the purchase of 21 of the computers. According to Western news reports, the total cost of the com-

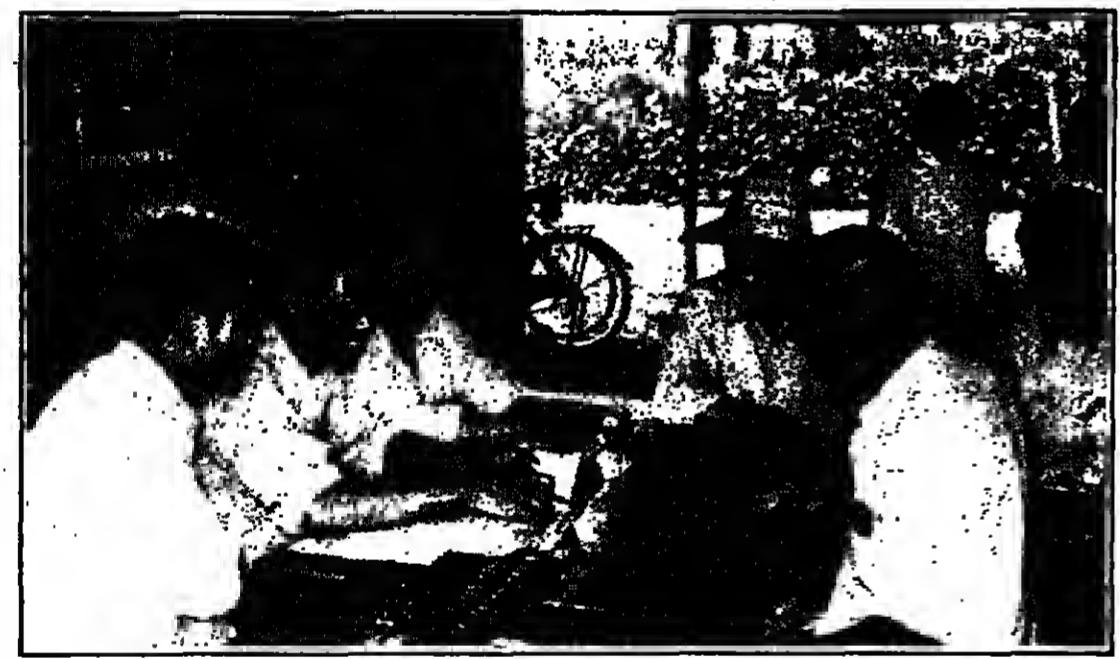
puters was \$130 million, and the census had to be postponed twice as China awaited U.S. government approval for the export of the IBM computers.

As China has 55 minority nationalities, a centralised processing system was not suitable. So a two-stage process was developed to process data first at a regional centre and then at Beijing.

China hopes that the technological experience gained will

advance the country's embryonic skills in computer science. Toshi Shigematsu, Director of Demographic Studies for the U.N. Statistical Office, has described the Chinese computer effort as "top level". Dealing with population complexities unimaginable in any other country, it represents an extraordinary feat of organisation for a nation not many years removed from the technology of the ox cart.

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Census takers keep count on abacus, the traditional Chinese "adding machine".

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# SPORTS



Jihad Saqr crossing the finish line at Amman Crown Hotel  
**Jihad Saqr wins Jordan's 70-kilometre bicycle race**

By Riyad M. Ahmad  
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — The second official bicycle race was held on Friday Dec. 3, under the patronage of His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent.

The race, which was organised by the Jordanian Cycling Federation (JCF) in cooperation with the Amman Crown Hotel, aimed at selecting the best cyclists for the national cycling team, the JCF announced.

One hundred and fifty Jordanian cyclists, most of them youngsters, participated in the race which started at 1:00 p.m. near the Amman Crown Hotel area. Participants in the race, who were competing on individual basis, covered a total distance of 70 kilometres starting from the Crown Hotel passing through Radio Jordan and TV station, Zarqa Highway, Al Ghazal mountainous route Sports City, Suweileh, Al Hussein Medical Centre Eighth Circle, Na'ur and then back to the starting reference point, the Amman Crown Hotel.

Jihad Saqr, winner of the Irbid 41-kilometre first cycling race, covered the distance in two hours and four minutes thus winning first place and a cup presented by Crown Prince, Minister of Culture and Youth Ma'an Abu Nuwar and JCF Chairman, Fayed Al Rabii' attended the race.

The top ten cyclists of the race were also presented with special awards. The winners, who from the nucleus for the national cycling team are: Jihad Saqr, Mith Faouri, Sami Hashim, Muafak Shararah, Ahmad Belqur, Salim Asbab, Miller Healey, Sabri Abd Rabuh, Tarek Khayyat, Bashir Khasawneh respectively.

The JCF in cooperation with the Amman Crown Hotel exerted enormous efforts to make the Amman race a success, a spokesman for the federation said.

The winners of the 70-kilometre race will soon participate in another 80-kilometre race to be held in the Jordan Valley area. They will also represent Jordan in Morocco and the United Arab Emirates tournaments to be held next January.

## China takes over from Japan as Asia's sporting superpower

NEW DELHI (R) — China, who have taken over from Japan as Asia's sporting superpower, ended 15 days of competition at the Asian Games here Friday with a flourish, winning two badminton titles and a volleyball gold.

Formal confirmation of their new status came when the world-beating Chinese women's volleyball team thrashed Japan 3-0 in the final match of the league tournament.

In further proof of the depth of their sporting prowess, top-seeded Han Jian stunned the once-unbeatable Indonesian Liem Swie King in straight sets to claim the men's singles crown in the badminton championship.

China's Zhang Ailing then captured the women's singles title, beating compatriot Li Lingwei.

Former all-England champion Liem did everything he possibly could in the men's singles final and rushed to a 10-0 lead, but once Han had settled himself the Indonesian got few opportunities to

score.

There were a series of long rallies in the second set, but in the end it was Han's overall superiority and courtcraft which gave him the title.

The Chinese women won the volleyball tie 15-12, 15-5, 15-9, but that was not enough to please their coach Yuan Wei Min.

"I am not satisfied with the performance. It wasn't up to their world championships' status," he said.

The Chinese have now won medals in most of the 22 sports at the Games here, apart from events such as yachting, golf and equestrianism.

South Korea also did well on the last day, winning the first boxing final and edging out China 85-84 in a thrilling match to bag the men's basketball gold.

With only three sports, boxing, volleyball and soccer, still to be completed, China had taken a commanding lead of 61 golds to Japan's 56.

The Games, the largest ever Asian sports show, will be formally closed at a colourful ceremony Saturday.

### AGF to be dissolved

The Asian Games Federation (AGF), set up 32 years ago, will formally dissolve itself on Sunday to give way to a new body known as the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA), AGF officials said here Friday.

They said the new set up was designed to bring Asia's multi-sport organisation closer to the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and enable it to claim IOC funds for the promotion of sport in the region, the world's most populous.

The constitution of the council (OCA) would also be in line with that of the IOC so that there were no differences between the two bodies on regulations governing various amateur sports and sportsmen, the officials said.

## U.S. sweeps women's semifinal places in Australian Open

MELBOURNE (R) — The all-conquering U.S. women overcame the last remnants of opposition to sweep the four semifinal singles places in the Australian Open Tennis Championships here Friday.

Pam Shriver ended Australian hopes when she outclassed Wendy Turnbull 6-7, 6-3, 6-3 in the quarterfinals to qualify for a last four clash against world number one Martina Navratilova.

Navratilova conceded only three games to fellow American Anne Smith as she powered to a 6-2, 6-1 victory.

The other semifinal pits bubbling teenager Andrea Jaeger against Chris Evert Lloyd, the number two seed. Jaeger defeated rising young West German Eva Pfaff 7-5, 6-2 while Lloyd destroyed Billie Jean King 6-2, 6-2.

Shriver's victory over Turnbull

was revenge for a beating she took from the Australian in a Brisbane tournament final last month. "I served more intelligently than I did in Brisbane and I didn't get as angry. But she didn't play well," Shriver said.

Shriver defeated Navratilova in the quarterfinals of the last U.S. Open and wants to prove Saturday that it was no fluke.

Navratilova said she was looking forward to the return with Shriver and was ready to "give it back to her" Saturday.

Lloyd is eager to win the Australian Open, the only "Grand Slam" title to elude her. She said she needed a tougher match than Friday's clash with King.

"It's hard to tell how I'm playing, but I'm looking forward to playing Andrea because I need to be pushed. I feel more confident

this year than last year. Then I struggled on every match," Lloyd said.

"Andrea's been playing very well in this tournament and she's the player who beat me three times this year. I have a newfound respect for her because she's humbled me."

In the opening round of the men's singles, former champion Mark Edmondson of Australia was hustled out by Ricky Meyer of the U.S., ranked 285th in the world. The 27-year-old New Yorker beat third seed Edmondson, 16th in the world, 6-4, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Two other upsets were the defeats of Paraguay's Victor Pecci and Fritz Buehning of the U.S., beaten in five sets respectively by Andy Andrews of the U.S. and Chris Johnstone of Australia.

## Injury-hit Italy clashes with

## Romania in European Championship

FLORENCE, Italy (R) — Italy, who have floundered since their World Cup triumph last July, are forced by injury to make two changes for a European Soccer Championship qualifying match against Group Five leaders Romania here Saturday.

Defenders Gaetano Scirea and Antonio Cabrini, who played in the 3-1 World Cup final victory over West Germany in Madrid, are the injury victims.

Team chief Enzo Bearzot said Friday Milan youngster Francibino

Baresi would make his senior international debut alongside substitute defender Giampiero Marini.

Bearzot has raised eyebrows by sticking to an attack which has failed to hit form since the World Cup. Italy were beaten 1-0 by Switzerland in a friendly in Rome, then slithered in the mud to a 2-2 draw against Czechoslovakia in Milan last month in their opening European Championship match.

Francesco Graziani returns from injury to rejoin the attack in place of Alessandro Altobelli, the late choice who scored against West Germany in the World Cup final and against Czechoslovakia.

Romania, in contrast, have beaten both Cyprus (3-1) and Sweden (2-0) to head Group Five. They warmed up for Saturday's sell-out game with a Belgian tour in which they beat League side Waterschei 4-0 and the Amateurs of Mol 3-1.

Mircea Lucescu, 37, who took over from veteran team manager Stefan Kovacs when Romania failed to qualify for the World Cup finals, shrugged off an earlier 4-1 defeat by East Germany a friendly.

The young Romanian side pivots on striker Ilie Balaci, 25, and midfield Boloni who is still remembered for the way he sent Scirea the wrong way then scored with a searing left-foot shot in Romania's 2-1 defeat by Italy in Naples two years ago.

In defence they look to Stefanescu, a slow-moving but dependable giant who dominates the penalty box with his heading ability.

Balaci's match-winning style against Fiorentina in the first round of the UEFA Cup this season aroused immediate interest in the free-spending Italian League.

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## Crisis in W.German steel industry intensifies.

DUISBURG, West Germany (R) — The crisis in the West German steel industry intensified Friday as Krupp Stahl, one of the largest European steel companies, laid off 3,600 workers in the stricken Ruhr district.

Krupp Stahl said the catastrophic fall in steel demand and sharp competition on the European steel market was forcing it to partially shut down its Rheinhausen steel works in Duisburg within the next two years.

Last month the company announced that 1,300 of the plant's 10,000 workers would lose their jobs under separate cutback plans.

Over 12 per cent of Duisburg's 230,000 workforce are jobless and another 30,000 are working short time. Union officials said before Friday's news that the city's unemployment rate could rise to 20 per cent next year.

Weak demand and the European Commission's limits on steel production will cause West German steel output to slump to 37 million tonnes this year from 41.6 million in 1981, industry officials say.

Over half the country's 220,000 steelworkers are on short time and the unions do not rule out further job cuts by other major firms.

West Germany's steel companies could lose around two billion marks (\$800 million) this year and Krupp has announced plans to merge its steel operations with another steel giant, Hoesch, in an attempt to overcome the current crisis.

But no improvement in steel demand is expected before next summer and the Common Market Commission Thursday announced further steep cuts in Common Market steel production quotas for the first quarter of 1983.

## U.S. jobless rate surges

WASHINGTON (R) — The U.S. unemployment rate surged to 10.8 per cent in November from 10.4 per cent in October as another 440,000 Americans joined the ranks of the unemployed, the government reported Friday.

Almost 12 million people were out of work last month, an increase of 4.1 million since the recession began in July, 1981, the Labour Department said.

The jobless rate has not been that high since 1940 when 14.6 per cent of the labour force was out of work.

The November figures, which showed a higher jobless rate than most analysts anticipated, seems certain to increase political pressures for government action to stimulate the economy.

The failure of the economy to pull itself out of recession has already climbed to the top of the nation's political agenda and Congress is moving rapidly to approve a road-building programme.

Manufacturing industries str-

onges will create more than 300,000 jobs.

Democratic leaders in Congress say they will seek an even more ambitious jobs programme when the new legislature meets in January, but the idea is opposed by President Reagan who says the economy is already on the verge of recovery.

Mr. Reagan supports the highway construction programme, but says more ambitious jobs programmes will merely add to inflation by enlarging a federal budget deficit that already threatens to exceed \$170 billion in the current financial year.

A dramatic decline in inflation

from more than 12 per cent when Mr. Reagan became president in January, 1981, to less than five per cent this year has set the stage for an economic rebound, the administration says.

But many economists think a recovery is not likely until next spring and that even then the upturn will be too weak to make much

of a dent in unemployment.

Mr. Reagan's own economists agree it will be several years before joblessness can be reduced to the 7.4 per cent rate that prevailed when the Republican President took office.

Most of the increase in unemployment to 11.9 million last month was due to large influx of new job-seekers into the labour market.

Total employment fell a modest 61,000 to 99 million during the month.

That was down 1.8 million since the recession began.

Unemployment for adult men rose to 10.1 per cent in November from 9.8 per cent in October and joblessness for adult women increased to 9.1 per cent from 8.6 per cent the month before.

The November rates represent post-war highs for both groups.

Meanwhile prospects of a general economic recovery in the United States were clouded Thursday by government reports of a sharp dip in factory orders.

Manufacturing industries str-

uggled through October with a 3.9 per cent fall in orders for factory goods, the largest drop in a year, the Commerce Department said.

A separate report by the Labour Department said initial claims for jobless benefits in the week ending Nov. 20 rose sharply to 654,000, reversing a four-week decline.

Another Commerce Department report said sales of new single-family homes, which rose 28 per cent in September, stood still in October at an annual rate of 475,000.

But Commerce Undersecretary Robert Dederick, noting sales were almost 36 per cent up on a year ago, said future sales gains would mean a pickup in home building that would help lead a general upturn in the economy.

The drop in factory orders was widespread with orders for durable goods such as cars and heavy machinery falling by 4.7 per cent and orders for non-durable products declining by 3.2 per cent, the Commerce Department said.

## U.S. banks to offer new high interest accounts

NEW YORK — Within the next few weeks U.S. investors will be offered a new form of high interest bearing account by U.S. financial institutions.

The Depository Institutions Deregulation Committee (DIDC) has announced details of the restrictions on the accounts which ensure that they are fully competitive with existing high interest bearing accounts.

The new accounts, therefore, could encourage a huge shift in funds back to the commercial banks. However, they may also create other important long-term changes in the U.S. financial system.

The congressional decision to authorise the banks to offer new accounts has already caused divisions within the U.S. banking system and sharpened up the intense competition between the banks and other deposit-taking institutions.

It could also provide the cutting edge for a new push by the smaller banks for further de-regulation.

Mr. William Kennedy, the new president of the American Bankers Association (ABA), describes the new accounts as "the biggest immediate challenge facing the industry".

Few U.S. bankers would disagree with that statement, despite the problems caused by the weakness of the U.S. economy and

estors, have creamed off more than \$220 million in investor deposits over the past five years — deposits which the banks believe rightly belong to them.

The legislation has prompted an immediate response from the money market funds aware of a possible threat to their deposit base.

Last month, for example, Dreyfus Corporation, one of the New York-based funds, applied to bank regulators for authorisation to set up its own bank.

But even some of the larger banks had their doubts before the conditions imposed upon the new accounts were announced on Nov. 15.

Many of the commercial banks had fears that the DIDC would impose restrictions upon the new accounts which would prevent them being fully competitive with those offered by the money market mutual funds.

Despite objections from the funds, and the doubts of Mr. Donald Reagan, the treasury secretary, DIDC set a \$2,500 minimum balance requirement on the new money market accounts for banks and agreed to impose no limitations on the interest rates that depository institutions could pay on the new accounts.

Soon after the announcement of the decision on the accounts, there appeared to be a reasonable chance that the money market mutual funds would seek to challenge the DIDC ruling in court.

Nevertheless, the significance of the new accounts still depends upon the degree to which the banks, particularly the smaller ones, are allowed greater freedom

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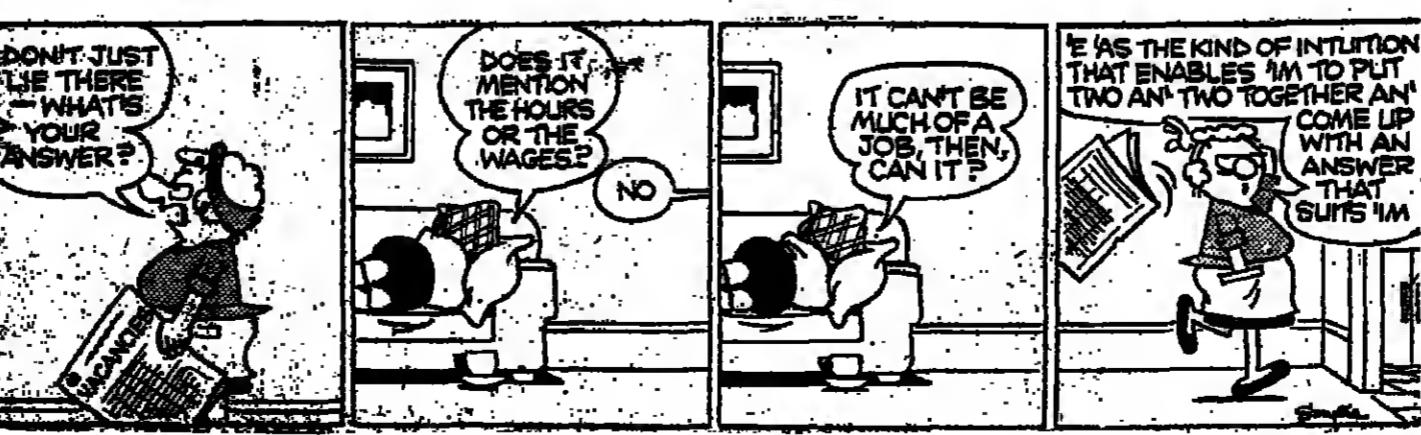
### Peanuts



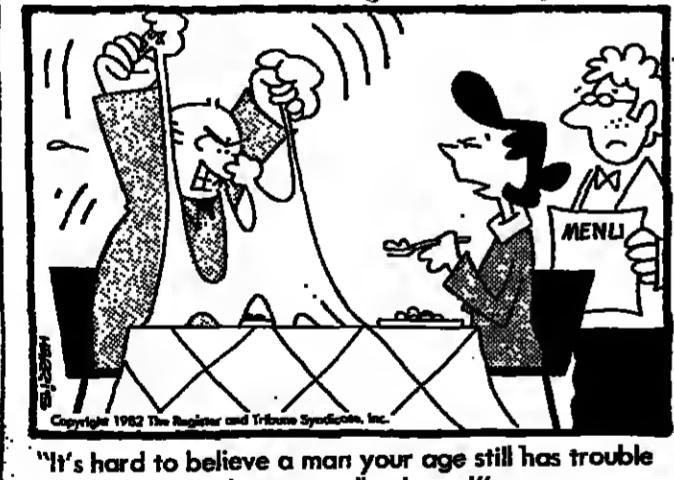
### Mutt 'n' Jeff



### Andy Capp



### THE BETTER HALF. By Harris



### JUMBLE. THAT SCRABLED WORD GAME by Hazel Arnold and Bob Lee

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

**BOMUX**

**ARICH**

**GUNJEL**

**LAUTAC**



Print answer here: **□ □ - □ □ - □ □**

(Answers tomorrow).

Yesterday's Jumble: THYME LINEN INVADE BELFRY  
Answer: The best way to keep thin is not to exceed the "FEED" limit!

### FORECAST FOR SATURDAY, DEC. 4, 1982

## YOUR DAILY Horoscope

from the Carroll Righter Institute

GENERAL TENDENCIES: Proven experiences can be relied upon to handle conditions now occurring and can help you advance in your line of endeavor. Be sure to make the best use of your natural talents.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Be more open-minded and you can gain the success you seek in the days ahead. Show others that you have wisdom.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Study the situation at home carefully and you can then help to improve it. Take no chances with your reputation.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) If you study conditions well where outsiders are concerned, you can communicate satisfactorily with them.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) A good time to engage in favorite hobby with congenials. Obtain the information you need from the right sources.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Good day to do whatever will help you to advance in career matters. Forget the frivolity and concentrate on the practical for now.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 21) You have fine practical ideas now that should be put in operation without delay. Strive for harmony at home.

LIBRA (Sept. 22 to Oct. 21) A usually helpful friend may have different ideas now, so listen carefully, since you stand to benefit from them.

SCORPIO (Oct. 22 to Nov. 21) Study how to improve your status in life and then take the initial steps in the right direction. Express happiness.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Not a good day for making new plans but fine for handling regular routines. Be sure to spend your money wisely.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Take care of private worry quickly or you find it can be very troublesome. Avoid one who doesn't understand you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Do some interesting entertaining of congenials today but stay within your budget. Sidestep an opponent.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Study your surroundings and make plans for improvement. A new situation arises that could bring benefits.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY . . . he or she will require praise from time to time in order to be enthused to do good work. One who should go to college since the mind here is brilliant and the judgment is good. Teach good health habits.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

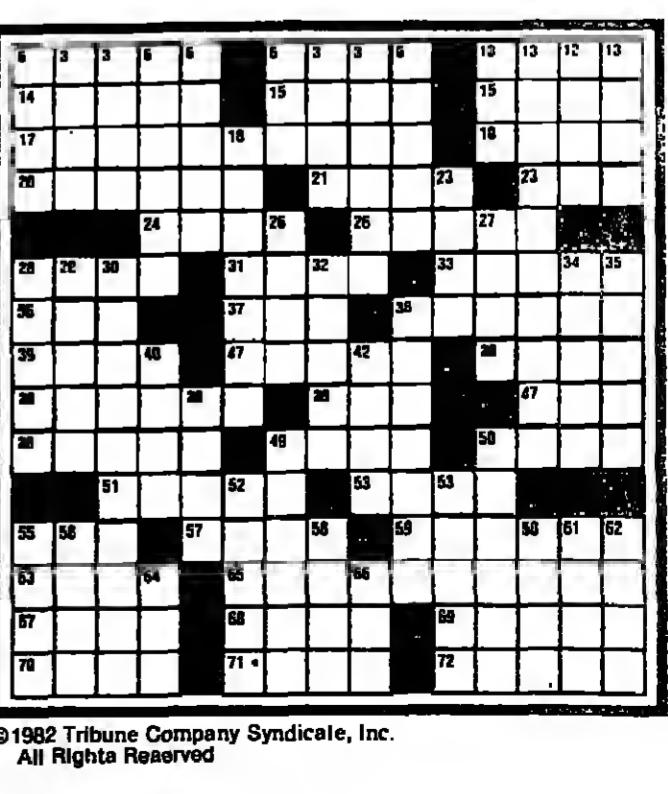
### THE Daily Crossword

By Samuel K. Fliegner

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Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

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# WORLD

## Nakasone vows to boost defences without making Japan militaristic

TOKYO (R) — New Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone, in his first policy speech, pledged Friday that Japan would work to improve its defences but would not become a military power again.

"We will pay due attention so as not to become a military power and not to pose any military threat to neighbouring countries," he said.

"Our basic stance on security is to maintain the Japan-U.S. security arrangements and to seek to achieve a high defence capability limited to that necessary for self-defence."

Mr. Nakasone replaced Zenko Suzuki as prime minister last week with the reputation of being a hawk on defence matters.

But he has already made clear that he does not plan any substantial increase in defence spending, now limited by the policy of

the ruling conservative Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) to less than one per cent of Gross National Product.

Defence spending this year amounts to only 0.93 per cent of GNP and Mr. Nakasone, before he became prime minister, touted the idea that the figure might eventually be increased to around three per cent.

Mr. Suzuki's administration had committed itself to reducing defence expenditure during the 1983 fiscal year beginning next April by 7.35 per cent, slightly less than this year's 7.75 per cent increase.

But Japan's neighbours, several of which were occupied by Japanese troops before and during the World War II, were likely to welcome Mr. Nakasone's pledge that it would not pose a military threat. They have already expressed reservations over U.S. pressure on Japan to boost its military

capabilities.

The United States and Japan are linked by a mutual security treaty and large numbers of U.S. aircraft and warships, as well as 46,000 military personnel, are based in Japan to defend it against any invader.

Mr. Nakasone, who will go to Washington next month to meet President Reagan, said Friday that the United States was Japan's most important partner.

"I would like to further strengthen the relationship of trust between Japan and the United States," he said.

He also said that he would seek to deepen links between Japan and friendly countries in Asia and was determined to establish stable relations with the new Soviet leadership.

Japan and the Soviet Union have never been able to conclude a peace treaty formally ending the

World War II because the Soviet Union occupies the four southernmost islands of the Kuril chain north of Japan which Tokyo claims as Japanese territory.

The United States, in addition to urging Tokyo to boost the defences of nearby seafarers, has asked the Japanese to share their military technology for use in American weapons.

The Japanese have so far resisted the suggestion, primarily because under LDP policy Japan cannot export weaponry, but government sources said Friday Mr. Nakasone's administration was re-examining the issue.

Four senior ministers, including defence chief Kazuo Tanikawa and Foreign Minister Shintaro Abe, had agreed to reach a unified view on the problem and Mr. Nakasone was likely to carry their decision to Washington next month.

## UNESCO agrees on framework for new world information order

PARIS (R) — The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) agreed Friday on a framework for a new world information order, despite Western reservations that it could result in increased censorship.

Western countries, including the United States, stressed during the final stages of a special UNESCO conference that they would continue to fight any efforts to give international bodies such as

demands that UNESCO should have no right to judge the content of news reports, he said he reserved the right to examine at least those dealing with the organisation.

He said UNESCO would launch a study of the way the present conference has been reported.

The United States told the conference it was pleased that the documents adopted "recognised the positive contribution the media can make in scrutinising activities which might lead to abuses of power."

The delegation said the U.S. opposed the idea that the international community should concern itself with the contents of news reports.

Britain described as unacceptable any suggestion that "UNESCO has a role over either the content of news flows or over what the media are permitted to do."

The U.S. and British views were echoed by several West European countries which said journalists should set their own standards of professional conduct and responsibility without interference from governments or organisations like UNESCO.

The consensus reached by the West, the Third World and Communist countries after two weeks of diplomatic bargaining explicitly referred at Western insistence to the value of a free press and journalistic investigation of abuses of official power.

UNESCO Secretary-General Ahmadou Maharr M'Bow, whose

relations with the Western media

have frequently been prickly during a controversy over the information issue, said he intended

to respect freedom of information.

But in response to Western

World states, they wanted firm guidelines for journalistic conduct.

The Soviet delegation said the contents of news reports and the concept of journalistic responsibility were "of great significance in the contemporary world which is going through a difficult period."

It said false information transmitted between countries could have very serious consequences.

Western diplomats said that developing communications systems in Third World countries which have no independent press would increase the risk of government control over news.

Western sources said that establishing a code of journalistic responsibility, which Communists and some Third World states want to see, could also lead to censorship or to self-censorship by journalists which would be as bad.

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## Zimbabwe withdraws Smith's passport

HARARE (R) — Zimbabwe has indefinitely withdrawn the passport of former Rhodesian Prime Minister Ian Smith because he criticised its black majority government abroad, the national news agency ZIANA reported Friday.

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The phrase was aimed at reminding Western public opinion that even if conventional NATO defences were greatly improved, an adequate number of nuclear weapons would remain indispensable to deter an attack, NATO diplomats said.

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they were perfectly satisfied that the deaths were accidental.

He said that he was at the party there was "no sign of violence, aggression, show of temper or anything else other than a perfectly relaxed and enjoyable occasion."

He said there was no jealousy or fighting over the two women present, the nurse and his former wife, Penelope, as had been alleged.

Mr. Arnot said: "What we saw the next day was just so awful, the contrast between the thoroughly pleasant evening and the awful things that happened then and in the next three-and-a-half years have been appalling, quite amazing."

Mr. Arnot said that when he went to bed at 2 a.m. on the night of the party Helen Smith and Johannes Otten were dancing together in the middle of the room.

He said he heard nothing until about three-and-a-half hours later when his wife woke him and told him she thought the nurse had fallen from the balcony of the flat.

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tration in its unsuccessful struggle against Zimbabwe's current rulers, would now have to apply to the government for permission to leave the country.

Mr. Smith could not be reached Friday either at his Harare home or at his midlands farm.

He recently returned from the United States where he was reportedly to have complained that Zimbabwe was becoming a one-party Marxist dictatorship where the economy, education and health services were collapsing.

ZIANA quoted Mr. Sekeramayi as standing in front of Home Affairs Minister Herbert Ushewokunzu who ordered the passport seized Thursday and then went on holiday.

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## Golden triangle opium prices slump

BANGKOK (R) — Opium prices have slumped in the "golden triangle" linking Thailand, Burma and Laos, where a bumper poppy crop is expected early next year.

Western narcotics officials in Bangkok told Reuters that prices paid to opium merchants by the illicit refiners along the rugged Thai-Burman border had dropped from more than \$250 per kilogramme three years ago to just over \$50 per kilogramme.

The officials also said aerial and ground surveys of areas planted in October suggested an opium poppy harvest of about 700 tons, an increase of about 100 tons on last year and the biggest crop for at least four years.

The hulk of the crop would

come, as always, from rebel-held eastern Burma, they said. One hundred tons of raw opium yields 10 tons of heroin.

Thailand would produce an estimated 57 tons of opium, up from about 50 tons harvested last year, and Laos was expected to produce about 50 tons, they said.

The officials noted that the golden triangle crop was badly hit by drought and disease in the 1978-79 and 1979-80 seasons, causing prices to soar.

The refiners paid opium merchants about \$100 a kilogramme two years ago and about \$65 a kilogramme last year, they said.

But the merchants passed on a mere fraction of that to the impoverished hill tribesmen, whose

livelihood depends on growing opium poppies.

The officials said that a vigorous military drive by Thailand against the rebel Burmese Shan United Army (SUA), which runs most of the border refineries, had reduced its control of the opium market.

"Last January the SUA controlled about 70 per cent of more of the golden triangle heroin entering Thailand," one official said. "That has probably dwindled to nearer 50 per cent after the Thai attacks.

"The SUA has been kept on the move and closed some of its refineries, but it appears to have had a stockpile of heroin because heroin prices have not risen.

## 'Affaire Empain' in court

PARIS (R) — France's "affaire Empain" came to court Thursday when six men and two women went on trial accused of holding millionaire industrialist Baron Edouard Jean Empain during a 63-day kidnapping in 1978.

Television cameras filmed the 45-year-old baron as he took his seat in Paris's main criminal court in front of the eight defendants charged with holding him illegally.

The baron, head of the Empain-Schneider business empire when he was ambushed, was held in chains and threatened with death by his captors who chopped off the end of one of his fingers and sent it to the police to show they were in earnest.

He was freed without payment of an \$85 million ransom which had been demanded.

None of the accused has been charged with the actual kidnapping carried out by masked gunmen outside the Belgian-born baron's luxuriant flat in central Paris.

But they still face possible life sentences if convicted at the end of the trial expected to last until Dec. 20.

The Empain case has gripped the French more than any kidnapping since that of Moroccan opposition leader Mehdi Ben Barka who disappeared in Paris in 1965, allegedly murdered by the Moroccan secret service with the help of French police.

The newspaper has been inundated with callers, including a woman who said she was a psychic medium and knew where the body could be found.

prosecution case in the long, wood-panelled court room, hung with chandeliers and tapestries.

The accused, each guarded by a gendarme, listened attentively as the prosecution described the planning and execution of the abduction.

Baron Empain, son of one of Europe's greatest industrial dynasties — his grandfather built the Paris metro — sat with his lawyers.

The jury of five women and four men include Madame Elisabeth de Boissieu, daughter of Gen. Charles de Gaulle.

During the baron's ordeal, while he wrote letters pleading with family and friends for action to free him, newspapers printed a string of titillating stories about gambling and girls.

He said later that the kidnapping and the publicity given to his private affairs had devastated his life. He was also upset by lengthy official interrogations during which it was hinted that his kidnapping might have been faked.

"I cannot trust anyone any more," he said in a magazine interview in 1980. "I have never been able to find out what happened while I was being held."

After his release he temporarily relinquished control of Empain-Schneider and spent several months living rough in the United States. He and his wife divorced.

He returned only briefly as head of Empain-Schneider. The group was taken over by a French bank in 1981.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### El Salvador puts 2 corporals on trial

SAN SALVADOR (R) — A judge has ordered two former corporals in El Salvador's National Guard to stand trial on charges of killing two U.S. civilian advisers and a local agriculture expert. Judicial officials said two ex-Guardsmen, Jose Dimas Valle Acevedo and Santiago Gomez Gonzalez, had confessed to the murders.

Michael Hammer, 42, and Mark Pearlman, 36, advisers on El Salvador's agrarian reform programme from the American trade union AFL-CIO, and Rodolfo Viera, 43, director of the government office of land reform, were shot dead in the Sheraton hotel in San Salvador last year.

### Colombo asks U.S. diplomat to leave

COLOMBO (R) — The Sri Lankan government has set a seven-day deadline for a U.S. diplomat to leave for alleged interference in the country's internal affairs, the Sun newspaper reported Friday.

A government spokesman told reporters last week that first secretary (political) Kenneth Munro Scott had been requested to leave Sri Lanka by the government. The newspaper alleged last week that the government action came after Mr. Scott had said at a cocktail party that Sri Lanka's President Junius Jayewardene would lose the presidential elections which he subsequently won on Oct. 20.

### Jury wants welder jailed for life

SANTA BARBARA, California (R) — A jury has recommended that a 48-year-old welder should be jailed for life after convicting him of murdering three people in what the prosecution said was a contract killing. Dennis Miller was found guilty of murdering South African sculptor Giovanni Scheneman, 40, his friend, Kimberley Roberts, 27, and Cornelius Mol, 41, another South African. Each was shot once in the head. Miller's former girlfriend, Carolyn Church, said during the month-long trial that he told her he was supposed to receive \$20,000 for killing Scheneman from an insurance policy taken out by another party.

### Guatemalan alleges army massacre

UNITED NATIONS (R) — A Guatemalan Indian peasant said he witnessed government forces massacre more than 200 of his fellow villagers during an anti-guerrilla operation last March in the province of Chimaltenango.

Nicolas Balam, 21, told a new conference that the soldiers had burned houses to the ground, stolen crops and machine-gunned the inhabitants of his village of Chatalum. He said he had never seen any guerrillas in the village. In Guatemala City a military communique said at least 22 guerrillas and six soldiers had been killed in fighting between leftist insurgents and the Guatemalan army this week.

### Humiliated nurse awarded damages

MOULTON, Alabama (R) — A nurse was tarred and feathered on her wedding day by two women, among them the first wife of the doctor she was scheduled to marry. Thursday, the victim, Elizabeth McElwee, 42, was awarded \$35,000 in damages by a court in Moulton for the "humiliation" inflicted on her by first wife Marita, 55, and the latter's sister. The nurse testified that the sisters abducted her at gunpoint from the doctor's home a year ago, stripped off part of her clothes, cut off her waist-length hair, poured tar and feathers over her head and left her on a garbage pile at a dump. She and Dr. John McEl